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## BUSY RUMOR STIRS HILO

Groundless Yarns of Volcanic Antics.

SEA DISCOLORED BY MOLASSES

Hilo's New Dock Assured—Volcano Mineral Water May Be a Big Export.

(Special Correspondence.)

**H**ILO, June 26.—The condition of the volcano is practically unchanged during the past week; that is to say, there is molten lava visible in the inner body of the crater at a depth of about 500 feet from the rim. Dense clouds of sulphur vapor still continue to come from the bottom and sides of the pit, but not in such large quantities as was the case a couple of weeks ago. The people of Hilo look upon the activity of the volcano very much as a mother does when she is watching the development of her baby's first tooth. Activity in Kilauea does not mean danger to anybody, but it does mean an increase of tourist travel, which incidentally sheds shekels upon Hilo and vicinity. Various mythical stories of volcanic activity in sections other than the crater have little more than imagination of the originators for foundation. The statement that steam cracks were opening up near Kilauea; that the warm springs in Puna were heating; that the soil around Hilo was warming up from the effect of subterranean fires; that the volcanic disturbances had muddled the harbor of Hilo, are all of this character.

### IT WAS MOLASSES WATER.

The discolored water in Hilo harbor which was so "suddenly" discovered by a citizen a couple of days ago, has been visible for several weeks, being due to the discharge of waste molasses into the bay from Wainaku mill.

### AT THE VOLCANO HOUSE.

The number of travelers at the Volcano House has been largely increased by the reports of activity as well as by those who go there for cool weather. Hilo has been suffering from the same hot wave that has afflicted Honolulu, and the delightful change to a temperature in the 50s, with a comfortable wood fire at night and a full-dressed ping-pong table to exercise upon, has determined many to take advantage of the hospitality of Manager Walfron.

### HILO'S NEW DOCKS.

F. J. Amweg of the Hawaiian Construction Company, the contractors to whom has been awarded the contract for building the Hilo new 300-foot wharf, was a passenger on the Kinau for Honolulu, after having closed arrangements for beginning construction. The Hilo Mercantile Company has been awarded the contract for furnishing piles and lumber to be used in the construction work. Mr. Amweg has also closed arrangements with the Hilo Electric Light Company, under which it furnishes him with power to run the dredge with which he will dredge out the sand alongside the dock, giving a depth of thirty feet. Mr. Amweg expects to get his material on hand and be in full swing about September 1. His contract calls for completion about January 1, with a heavy forfeit for each day's delay, so the opening of the new year will undoubtedly see the fully completed dock, at which the deepest draught vessels can lay, thus realizing Hilo's dream of many years' standing.

### BOYD AND DICKENSON.

Land Commissioner Boyd is making a tour around the Island of Hawaii for the purpose of inspecting the Government lands and familiarizing himself with the status of the lands to be opened for homesteading purposes. He will visit Puna and Oahu districts, and then by way of the volcano through Kau, North and South Kona, and will take the Kinau next week at Kawaihau on his return trip to Honolulu.

Mr. Dickenson of the Mackay Cable Company is accompanying Mr. Boyd

## SAW ALL ISLANDS BUT NIIHAU

Passengers who were aboard the Kinau on Saturday saw a sight which is not witnessed in this country once in a generation. When the vessel was off Kaunakakai, Molokai, the weather was so clear that both Mauna Kea, on the Island of Hawaii, and the entire Island of Kauai were plainly visible from the deck, and included in the geographical array were also the Islands of Maui, Kahoolawe, Lanai and Oahu. The whole group, except Niihau, was visible at once.

Purser Heckley stated that in all the years he had been in the island steamer service he had never seen Kauai from this point. The mountains of Kauai were distant approximately 185 miles from the position of the Kinau. This island is ordinarily visible only from the nearest point on Oahu in clear weather.

The late Captain Crane once saw the Island of Kauai from a point at sea near the port of Lahaina, Maui, but this was many years ago.

as his guest. Mr. Dickenson in conversation stated that he should remain in the Islands until the cable was in working order between Honolulu and San Francisco, which he expected would be in the latter part of October next.

### WIRELESS TELEGRAPH.

It is announced from Mahukona that an agent of the Wireless Telegraph Company is putting the station in condition to transmit messages. No message has yet come through from Honolulu since the reorganization, but reestablishment of communication is daily expected, as the system is now working finely between Honolulu and Maui.

### THE WEATHER.

The weather has been unusually hot for June, and until yesterday had been almost rainless, only a trifle over an inch having fallen during the month. Yesterday afternoon heavy rains began at Hanalei, which have since extended to Hilo and the Oahu district, and all three have had a good soaking. Kohala and Kona districts have been having liberal rains for the past week. The warm weather has given the cane a fine start and the rains at this juncture are of great value to the sugar crop.

### ALL ABOUT SUGAR.

The next Hawaiian-American steamer is due to leave Hilo for New York about July 1. She will take a large amount of sugar. The Oahu Company is now accumulating 2500 tons to be shipped by her.

The crop of the Puna plantation is about harvested, only fifty acres remaining to be cut. The Oahu has about 1000 acres to cut. It has stopped grinding double time and is now grinding in the day time only so as to make the top seed available for planting and also to use labor for putting in the early crop. It now has over one-half of its crop for 1904 planted. It will probably complete grinding during the middle of August.

Puna plantation is installing its new railroad system, eight miles now being under construction.

The Hilo Railroad is now running three trains a day through from Hilo to Mountain View, a distance of 17 miles, or within 14 miles of the volcano. The Volcano Stables Company runs stages and rigs from the terminus to the volcano, meeting trains both ways.

Superintendent Lambert of the railroad is somewhat under the weather, and has been advised by his physician to take a trip to the coast. He accordingly leaves in the steamer Enterprise next week, to be gone about a month. His place will be taken temporarily by Superintendent Denison of the Oahu Railway, who will take a vacation by coming to Hilo and keeping an eye on the Hilo Railroad business incidentally.

### VOLCANO WATER COMPANY.

The Kawaihaukua Volcano Water Company has made contracts in San Francisco for the delivery of 75,000 quarts of water per month, and is now erecting the largest bottling works in this Territory. Manager Williams states that this contract is for San Francisco only, and is simply a beginning of a demand for their water which is higher in certain valuable chemical constituents than any other water in the world. The company expects its first invoice of bottles by the steamer

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## PAIN'S GIRDER RAILS ON KING STREET ARE TORN UP

Rapid Transit Company Makes a Midnight Move on the Enemy With 250 Men.

A Battalion of Laborers Remove the Trackage Laid by Pain on the Franchise Owned by the New Company.

**A**T 12:30 o'clock this morning 250 laborers marched into Palace Square behind wagons loaded with picks, shovels and crowbars and set to work tearing out the girder rails which the Hawaiian Tramways Co. laid there more than a year ago to prevent the Rapid Transit Company from getting a foothold. By daylight today Manager Ballentyne expects to have the entire track from the King street entrance to the Capitol grounds to a point in front of Camarinos' store ripped out and the street excavated so that the tracks of the Rapid Transit can be put in.

The invasion of the square was planned with secrecy and few people knew that the Rapid Transit contemplated a coup d'etat on the rival company. The two hundred and fifty workmen were notified during the afternoon to report at the power house on Alakea street at midnight. Half an hour before that time the men began to arrive and were taken to the mauka side of the big barns, where they were kept in the shade of the structure and told to keep quiet. Gang bosses remained in the vicinity and kept watch to prevent intrusion from outsiders. Other than the sound of whispering voices there was no sign to the casual pedestrian on Beretania or Alapai streets that so large a gang of men was waiting for the order to send them to the square.

The electric cars came in and were housed and the motormen and conductors went to their homes, few of them having any knowledge of what was going on. Manager Ballentyne, Colonel J. H. Fisher, Superintendent Pratt, Mr. Charles Rohrer, Mr. Campbell and others of the company were present and were on the lookout for the last tram car to pass along King street bound for the car stables at Punahou.

## BERGER'S BAND HAD A FINE TIME ON THE ISLE OF KAUAI

**K**APPELMEISTER BERGER and the members of the Hawaiian Band returned to Honolulu yesterday morning in the steamer W. G. Hall, from a two weeks' musical tour of Kauai, and tonight will again delight Honolulu with a concert at Emma Square. The band boys had a good time on Kauai, and also a very hard trip, with plenty of work. The story of the last stages of the tour is told by Captain Berger in his characteristic way. He says:

"We played eighteen different times in eighteen different places. It is needless to say that every time we played we had big audiences, but on the other hand it was a very hard trip for the band to play at so many places and so often. We had to pack everything along, and this included two sets of instruments, brass and string, two singers, music stands, etc. We used busses, wagons and steamers to make the tour. 'However, 'All's well that ends well,' and we are home again and right glad we are, too. It was very warm on Kauai and there is a quantity of red dust. There are also a lot of very generous people on the Garden Isle, and I wish to thank one and all of them. We arrived at Nawiliwili from Waimea on the steamer Mikahala on Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock and a committee was there to direct us when and where we had to play while at Lihue and vicinity. We had to take to wagons right away to play at Hanalei. We arrived there about 8 o'clock and played to an immense audience. On Wednesday afternoon at the Lihue Hotel we played to a select audience, because it was raining and everybody couldn't attend. On Wednesday evening at the residence of Dr. Watt we played in the presence of the biggest audience during our stay."

"On Thursday afternoon we gave a concert in the park of the church, a beautiful spot covered with immense trees which seemed like a real Paradise. That evening we were at the



C. G. Ballentyne, Manager Honolulu Rapid Transit & Land Co.

ers of the company were present and were on the lookout for the last tram car to pass along King street bound for the car stables at Punahou.

At 12:15 the manager gave the order to advance and three wagons trundled out and down Beretania street, followed by twenty-five men, all carrying picks. The procession went to Richards street and thence to the square. The first gang to arrive was put at work at the end of the track opposite the King street Capitol entrance and the hard-packed earth around the rails

beach of Nawiliwili. There was fine, cool weather, a beautiful moon and gentle waves. Afterwards we went to an entertainment at Kalapaki, given by the Rices. Friday morning we went to the Government School. It was a pleasure to see the hundreds of women and children, the fine dresses showing in all the colors of the rainbow. And what different races! Hawaiians beat all the nations of the earth, and they will all be good Americans bye and bye. Friday evening," continued the Kappelmeister, "we went to the beautiful home of George Wilcox. The evening was perfect and the place ideal: we played the echo pieces when the band has to divide and go into four different places, and the effect was marvelous."

"Saturday morning we gave a very select concert at the home of the Rices, where the girls sang opera, and then we sat down to a spread as only Mr. and Mrs. Rice can spread. Even Paul Isenberg helped the band and sang 'Like no a Like.' Then we packed up and went to the landing, where we played for an hour and then took to the boats. Let me end my narrative with his, Fare thee well, beautiful Kauai, Aloha Nui."

The band will play this evening at Emma Square. The program is as follows:

- March—"Our Guiding Star"....Wright
- Overture—"Semiramide".....Rossini
- Selection—"A Runaway Girl" Monckton
- Songs
  - (a) "My Adeline".....
  - (b) "The Girl and the Blue".....
  - (c) "Marie Louise".....
  - (d) "Coro".....
- Miss I. Kellia.

PART II.  
Selection—"Musical Review"....Riviere  
Waltz—"The Wandering Minstrel".....Kiesler  
March—"The Czarina".....Ganne  
Finale—"Florodora".....Stuart  
"Aloha Oe".....Hawaii Ponoi  
"The Star Spangled Banner".....

## TROLLEYS WERE ALL CROWDED

Another rivet in the doom of the old tram cars was driven Saturday when the new King street extension of the Honolulu Rapid Transit Company was formally opened to the public. All day yesterday the cars on the extension were loaded to the guards with passengers who hurled derisive remarks at the drivers of the almost empty arks, as they whirled swiftly by the slow-plodding mules.

The line was in fine running shape, and the road bed is one of the best pieces of work on the system, even though hurriedly done. At present the cars run only to the turn, though the rails have been laid across the tramways track to the McCully property. As soon as the lowland there is filled in the extension will be completed on to Waikiki.

The electric cars got the bulk of the traffic from Waikiki yesterday, the people taking the mule cars to the turn and completing their journey on the Rapid Transit. It was the same way going out, and though the tram cars did a fairly good business from the turn to Waikiki, the mule cars were almost empty into town, the people preferring the ride in the electric cars, even though coupled with it was the inconvenience of changing cars.

The King street cars are marked with special signs and are of a new type of car with straight sides instead of curved. The cars are marked "Kalihi to Waikiki Turn," and will, in the evening, carry red lights to make them distinguishable at a distance. The Punahou cars will use green lights.

soon began to fly. These were soon joined by other gangs until the entire aggregation was strung along the track on both sides, a dense mass of working humanity which extended to Richards street in double file. Under the energetic bosses the picks were wielded with a vim and in a short time trenches were opened up around the rails. As soon as the gang at the end where the work commenced had loosened up the earth to the ties they were moved down the street and in this rotation they will be worked until the entire track can be removed.

The officers of the company were vigilant and assisted the bosses in directing the men. As an indication of the secrecy with which the work was planned there was not a soul in the Palace Square other than the Rapid Transit officials when the army of laborers started from the power house. Shortly after their arrival Chester Doyle appeared and he remained on duty for the police department, ready to send the word to the station if any resistance was offered, or if trouble of any kind occurred. The workmen themselves were in ignorance of the real character of the work they were expected to perform and about their first intimation of it was when they were directed to the tram tracks in the square.

At 7 o'clock this morning the first crowd of laborers will be called off and 100 Hawaiians will take their places, and gangs will be worked day and night until the Rapid Transit tracks are laid. The present Rapid Transit tracks terminating at Alapai on King, and those at the intersection of King and Liliha streets, will be connected as soon as possible, thus making a complete electric line from Kalihi to the Waikiki road.

When the Rapid Transit first undertook to lay tracks on King street, nearly two years ago, the Tramways Company blocked their work by laying tracks directly in their path. Manager Pain of the Tramways laid a section of track on Palace Square paralleling the present line as far as the old fire station next to the Hawaiian Electric Company building. The Rapid Transit laid a section of track there which the Tramways tore out and replaced with their own. The Rapid Transit then laid a temporary track from Fort street to Camarinos' store, where Pain made an ineffectual attempt to put in a switch, and was placed under arrest for the part he took, when the opposing gangs of workmen almost came to blows. In the courts Manager Pain applied for an injunction against the Rapid Transit to prevent them using King street for their tracks, but failed.

Superintendent Boyd of the Public Works Department recently notified the Tramways Company that its additional track on Palace Square was a nuisance, at the same time requesting that the girder rails be removed. The Tramways Company has ignored the order and the Rapid Transit resolved to take

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## POLICE AND THE PAKE

Another Big Raid On Celestial Gamblers.

## THE CHINESE HAD A GAMING FORT

Under Sledge Hammer Blows the Doors Yielded and About a Hundred Were Caught.

**S**LEDGE hammers from the iron works and a ladder from the Fire Department were used last night by a group of police officers in effecting entrance to one of the largest Chinese gambling resorts in the city. As a result 105 Chinamen were taken to the police station. The raid was conducted by Captain Parker and David Kaapa, assisted by Chester Doyle, Joe McKinnon, A. L. Duncan, Lieutenant Gardner, Alfred Mossman, John Thomas, Bishaw and Nilsson. The gambling house is located on the Waikiki side of Kekaulike street, just above King street, and every device had been used in the construction of the entrances, staircases, doorways and windows to make the joint a safe one. When the aggregation of perishing Chinese was taken to the police station the patrol wagon had to be left in the street in order that the stable quarters could be used as a place of detention for the prisoners. All were released before midnight, \$15 cash bail being put up for each one.

The raid started from David Kaapa's house in Kakaako in order that the Chinese spies, who are generally watching the police station, would have no knowledge of the matter. Three hacks were used to carry the officers, while an express wagon came at the rear, bearing the ladders. The police were divided, one section going to the rear of the buildings. There the ladders were raised so that the roofs of buildings near by could be mounted. Another detachment of police went to the front of the structure. A section of the front of a store on the ground floor was opened to admit a supposed gambler, and behind him the police made a rush, overpowering the guard behind. Those armed with sledge hammers went ahead and at the peep hole door met with the first resistance. The heavily barred door was broken open and the party came into a small room from which a staircase led to the upper floor. Another door made of heavy timbers with the cross pieces lined with iron bands, succumbed to the blows of the sledges, and entrance was gained to a narrow, tortuous staircase. At the top of the landing the police came across a door heavier than the rest. The boards at the side of the staircase, however, were thin and one or two had been removed to give ventilation. Doyle sprang upon an iron barred window, and leaning across, ripped off enough of the wall to permit ingress. Once inside the room above, he forced the wooden bar from the door and opened it so that the party could enter. The rooms were four in number and were jammed with a sweating mass of Mongol humanity. Not one gambler had been able to get out. Each room had a gaming table and fan-tan and other games had been in progress. One fan-tan room was divided by a sliding grated doorway, so that when a certain number of gamblers were inside the door could be closed and prevent others from entering. Soda water was the chief refreshment sold in the rooms, while a big pot filled with warm tea was handy for any one who thirsted. Two rooms were fitted up with bunks and several men were found in them "hitting the pipe." During the melee which followed the entrance of the officers, Officer McKinnon was struck by what seemed to be a deadly weapon, and for a few seconds his comrades thought he might bleed to death. On closer examination, however, it was found that the missile was a section of watermelon.

### Cable at Sans Souci.

The Honolulu end of the Mackay cable will in all probability be landed at Sans Souci. Superintendent Dickenson of the Mackay company is quoted at Hilo as having said arrangements are completing for the acquisition of a landing place there, and the report was partially confirmed yesterday by F. M. Hatch in Honolulu. Mr. Hatch said that negotiations were pending but had not been completed for the sale of a strip of land at Sans Souci to the Mackay company. Only sufficient for a landing station is desired and only a narrow strip will be taken by the company.